

Today's Advertisements.

PROMENADE CONCERT

In aid of the Funds of the HONGKONG LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY to be held at the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER HEAD-QUARTERS, (Kilby Lane for the occasion) TO-NIGHT, (FRIDAY), the 15th October, 1897, at 8.15 P.M.

PROGRAMME :-

- PART I :-
1. March..... "Père la Victoire".....Gagne. The Band.
 2. Quartette "A sad disappointment" McCheane. Messrs. Milroy, Hill, Grace and Barrett.
 3. Selection..... "Faust".....Gounod. The Band.
 4. Song... "Oh! How I love Thee" H. Parry. Mr. A. C. Van Nierop.
 5. Piccolo Duet "Les Oiseaux de Passage" King. Corporal Harper and Muscadin Lytton.
 6. Quartette "The Evening Bell" Franz Abt. Messrs. Milroy, Hill, Grace and Barrett.
 7. Cornet Solo..... "Serenade".....Braga. Muscadin Haley.
 8. Song... "To Althea from Prison" Whinfield. Mr. C. H. Grace.
 9. Valse Brillante (Op. 18).....Chopin. The Band.

INTERVAL

- PART II :-
1. Grand Military "The Battle of Polipour" "The Waterloo" Eckersburg. The Band.

Synopsis:-Daybreak; morning Gun 4 A.M.—The Revellers sound. The Camp is broken. The enemy are heard advancing—To horse—Advance of the British Army in Brigades—They engage the enemy with varying success, but ultimately are victorious—Flight of the enemy and Grand Victory March of the British, concluding with the "Conquering Hero."

With the kind permission of Col. Gordon and the Officers, the Band of the P.W.O. (West Yorkshire Regiment) under the conductorship of Mr. W. G. BENTLEY, A.R.C.M., will assist in the above programme and will also play the accompaniments of the songs.

TICKETS, 2s each, may be had of Messrs. ROBINSON & Co., who have kindly lent a piano. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1543]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"LIV".

T. Hansen, Master, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 18th October, at Noon.

To be followed by the S.S. "ST. NINIAN" on or about 31st Oct. S.S. "FALLOON HALL" on or about 15th Nov. S.S. "FERNFIELD" on or about 30th Nov. S.S. "YARROWDALE" on or about 15th Dec.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1548]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO".

Captain Cobham, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamship has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1552]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN".

Captain H. Supmar, due here with the outward German Mail about TUESDAY, the 19th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

For further Particulars apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1553]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

"FERNZOLLERN".

Captain H. Blecker, will leave for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.

For further Particulars apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1553]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

(For Account of whom it may Concern),

ON

TUESDAY, the 19th October, 1897,

at his Sales Rooms, Zealand Street, No. 2,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF

CLARETS, WHITE WINES, MALT

LIQUORS, WHISKIES, BRANDIES, &c.

Comprising:-

15 cases Claret, St. Julien Médoc

10 do do St. Julien Médoc

8 do do Chateau Momp Vin, extra fine

8 do do Vio Tia o, Superior

25 do do Sauternes

10 do Graves Superior, Chateau Momp

60 do Sidra Champagne (Champagne Cider)

10 cases Claret, Caubert Polignac

10 do do Spanish Red Wine

10 do do White Wine

8 cases Old Irish Whisky

6 do do Old Scotch Whisky, Special Reserve

11 do do do Heather Dew

American Beer, Guinness Stout, &c., &c.

On View at the Undersigned's from SATURDAY, the 16th inst.

PAUL BREWITT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1553]

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FOOCHOW".

Captain Blackbourne, will be despatched at above TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1564]



NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

VIA STRAITS, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.

THE Company's Steamship

"KAWACHI MARU".

Captain J. S. Thompson, will be despatched at above TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamship is fitted with Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and is lighted by Electricity throughout.

A duly qualified Doctor is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1563]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM TO THE STRAITS AND BASSEIN (BURMA).

THE Company's Steamship

"MELPOMENE".

Captain A. Martindale, will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, P.M.

For Freight, apply to SANDER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1556]

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 1892.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF CHARLES ALBERT HOUFE, OF VICTORIA IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG, FOR LETTERS PATENT FOR EXCLUSIVE USE WITHIN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG OF AN INVENTION FOR "IMPROVEMENTS IN FRED WATER CLEANERS" FOR WHICH HER MAJESTY'S LETTERS PATENT WERE GRANTED ON THE 10th DAY OF JANUARY, 1895, GRANTED TO THE SAID CHARLES ALBERT HOUFE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Petition, Specification and Declaration required by the above cited Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and that it is the intention of the said CHARLES ALBERT HOUFE to apply at the Sitting of the Executive Council hereinafter mentioned for Letters Patent for the exclusive use within the said Colony of Hongkong of the above named invention; and Notice is also hereby giving that a Sitting of the Executive Council will be held on the 18th day of October, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated the 14th day of October, 1897.

DEACON & HASTINGS, 35, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, Solicitors for the said C. A. HOUFE. [1571]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY,

PICCOLA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSERS and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager. Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1566]

NOTICE

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who call at Pender's Wharf, Murray Wharf and all the hotels in Wanchai and the City of Victoria every evening. It is also procurable, at 10 cents per copy, from the TELEGRAPH'S GIGMAN AND A NEWSBOY who call on board all vessels arriving in the waters of the colony.

N.B.—The Telegraph's newsboys and gigmen have received special instructions to charge only 10 cents per copy for the paper and if they ask for 20 cents it is done in violation of their instructions; and the Manager will therefore be glad to hear from anyone who is asked to pay more than 10 cents.

All complaints respecting irregularity in the delivery of the Telegraph to subscribers or as regards any overcharge by the newsboys or gigmen should be addressed to the Manager.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE, No. 8, Pender's Hill. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1555]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

BY APPOINTMENT.

WINE & SPIRITS.

WE beg to call attention to our PRICE LIST OF WINE & SPIRITS as below:-

As these are all selected and bought first hand by our London House we are enabled to supply the best qualities at Moderate Prices.

PORT.

(For Invalids and General Use).

B VINTAGE, superior quality, Red Capsule.....\$14.40 1.20

C FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.....16.20 1.35

D VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....20.40 1.70

SHERRY.

B SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....\$10.80 0.90

C MANANILLA, PALE NATURAL, SHERRY, White Capsule.....12.00 1.00

CC SUPERIOR OLD DRY, PALE NATURAL, SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule.....12.00 1.00

D VERY SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.....14.40 1.20

E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....20.40 1.70

B, C, and C are excellent dinner Wines or for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.

B ST. ESTEVE, Red Capsule.....\$6.50 0.55

C ST. JULIEN, Red Capsule.....9.00 0.75

D LA ROSE, Red Capsule.....12.00 1.00

E LA FAY, Red Capsule.....12.00 1.00

F CHATEAU D'ANGLADE.....13.20 1.10

G CHATEAU HAUT BRION.....18.00 1.50

H CHATEAU MOUTON D'ARMAHAC.....21.00 1.80

I CHATEAU D'ARMAHAC.....21.00 1.80

Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the vine of the grape, and are not artificially made from various and inferior wines, as is generally the case with cheap Wines.

BRANDY.

A HENNESSY'S OLD FINE, Red Capsule.....\$18.00 1.50

B SUPERIOR VERY OLD COGNAC, Red Capsule.....21.00 1.75

C VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC.....24.00 2.00

V.O. D HENNESSY'S FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule.....36.00 3.00

V.V.O. E FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1862 Vintage.....48.00 4.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.

SCOTCH—

A THOMAS'S BLEND, White Capsule.....\$10.80 0.90

B WATSON'S BLEND, White Capsule.....10.80 0.90

C WATSON'S BLEND, White Capsule.....12.00 1.00

D WATSON'S BLEND, White Capsule.....14.40 1.20

E WATSON'S BLEND, White Capsule.....15.00 1.25

DANIEL CRAWFORD'S FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.....14.40 1.20

Our lowest priced Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. We recommend our customers not to be deterred by the lowness of price from trying them all. For a soda whisky, Thomas's Blend and Watson's Blend are equal to any. Absolut-Ginnett is a very old Peat Whisky (smoky) that could not be replaced in stock at the price. D and E are too well known to need comment.

IRISH—

A JOHN JAMESON'S OLD, Green Capsule.....\$12.00 1.00

B JOHN JAMESON'S FINE OLD, Green Capsule.....15.00 1.25

C JOHN JAMESON'S VERY FINE OLD, Green Capsule.....18.00 1.50

All these are very fine and old. C has been stocked in Hongkong in wood for over 20 years, there being little sale for Irish Whisky in the Colony.

AMERICAN—

Genuine BOURBON WHISKY, FINE OLD, Red Capsule, with our Name and Trade Mark.....\$15.00 1.25

GIN.

A FINE Old TOM, White Capsule.....\$7.20 0.60

B FINE UNWETTERED, White Capsule.....7.20 0.60

RUM.

FINEST OLD JAMAICA, Violet Capsule.....\$15.00 1.25

GOOD LEMMON ISLAND.....6.00 0.50

GOOD LEMMON ISLAND.....\$2.50 per Gal.

LIQUEURS.

BENEDICTINE, BLACKBERRY BRANDY.

CURACAO, MARAICHINO.

CHATELAIN, HERRING'S CHERRY.

CHERRY DE CACAO, COGNAC.

FEFFERMIN, AND

Dr. SINGH'S ANGSTURA BITTER.

AERATED WATERS.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LD. THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1566]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1897.

POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF THE HOOLEY LOAN.

The latest news from Peking is that the Hooley-Jamson syndicate has concluded arrangements to advance to China \$16,000,000, half to be used in constructing a railway from Shanghai to Nankin, or possibly further, to Hankow, and thence right up to our Burma frontier, and the other eight millions sterling to go in getting rid of that awful incubus, the Japanese war indemnity, so that the "Little Man" shall evacuate the Weihaiwei forts and China's soil remain unscathed. The syndicate is to control the construction and management of the railway, and to have mining and other valuable concessions, the precise nature of which is not yet known, and probably has not yet been settled in detail. All sorts of rumours are flying about of course; the railway concession and the mines in prospect are very variously described, and each informant is positive that the other versions are "cavars." What seems most probable is that the syndicate has money to sink in China, and is arranging to plant it in the way that promises best results, and has obtained a promise of a railway concession from Shanghai westward, crossing the Franco-Russo-Belgian line which is to connect Hankow and Peking. The syndicate would thus be practically starting a Yangtze Valley railroad. The river has served to make this big Valley probably the greatest, richest, busiest, most productive and most populous valley in the whole world, and yet this same river is a most cruel tyrant, a most unreliable servant of industry and commerce, and a railway should be a godsend to the country and a gold-mine to the makers. The provinces along the Yangtze are simply a string of granaries and treasure-stores, yet frequently filled with desolation and death, in the main because communications are so primitive, slow and uncertain. There is no place imaginable where a railway should have better prospects, nor could Mr. Hooley have found a more lucrative (if genuinely available) field for investment than that which he is reported to have acquired. How far the reports are true remains to be seen. Probably more is known in London than in Peking; possibly even more than there is to know, for any contract with mandarins is a doubtful quantity, which time alone can prove.

Apparently there is truth at the bottom of it; apparently Mr. Hooley has laid his hand on China in some way, and that is important, whatever the details may be. He is not a man whose grip is uncertain; if he has really taken hold of China, it is a great and memorable day for China. It is certain enough that the Government has been wanting eight million pounds sterling to pay the Japanese off and get them out of the country; and it was a foregone conclusion that somebody would provide a loan, and there is no reason to doubt that the Hooley-Jamson syndicate has done so, except that residents in China inevitably acquire a habit of disbelieving everything. Everything here usually is untrue; that is to say, every event has to be mis-stated 50 times before it can appear once in its true light. The raising of this last instalment of the indemnity has been emphatically, categorically and with all circumstantial detail ascribed to a dozen or more of totally unconnected syndicates, and who shall say whether Mr. E. TERAH Hooley is in the same category or not? Perhaps he can say, and perhaps he will find himself mistaken in the end.

It is highly probable that the French and Russian capitalists will get nothing more than they can extort from China. The Government understood perfectly what was meant by the demand which followed or accompanied the Liaoting Intercession; they knew the indemnity loan was offered for purely political reasons, they knew France and Russia were wanting a pound of flesh and would have to be given it, and the Chinaman remembers these things with the patient, unwearied, unsuspecting, vigilant vindictiveness of the Indian elephant that has been played an unkind trick by a keeper. The "brilliant triumph" of Russian and French diplomacy was the best thing that could have happened for England. The Chinese learn slowly, because they learn thoroughly, and they know now what it is to have dealings with people who are always on the look-out to steal a march on anybody by hook or by crook while professing pure friendship and take unfair advantage of an unfortunate neighbour. They begin to realise what we English mean by "Live and let live," that a man may be ever so keen about his own interests without trying to injure those of others, and a nation can do the same. France takes China's border provinces and then does all she can to keep Chinamen out of them; Russia saves Korea from Japan for herself and not for China. England adheres rigidly to the rule that there is plenty of room for everybody, and aliens are as free to trade in her lands as her own people, and the Chinese are gradually learning that to let the British in will do no harm to anybody, but will rather prevent harm being done.

There is another important difference between this and other concessions in China, in that this is a purely business transaction for mutual benefit and will have to be worked so advantageously as to pay for itself, which the others may not do. This is the undertaking of clever and well-proved commercial giants, with a happy knack of imparting prosperity and progress to all manner of enterprises, whereas the others are in the hands of distinguished noblemen and eminent diplomats whose knowledge of industrial management is probably as small as any

man's can be. It is a most important difference. Not that they will make a failure of their railways and banks, for there is so much trade to be had for the asking. But the Hooley-Jamson railway is not a strategic one. It is meant for trade, to supply an urgent commercial need, and in the comparatively short run from Shanghai to Nankin will come within sight of a bigger population and a larger volume of trade than all the thousands of miles of the military Trans-Siberian line. From Nankin it may be extended all the way up the vast rich and densely populated Yangtze Valley till it connects with the Burma railways some day, uniting at once the 300 millions of India with the 400 millions of China. That is business. And when business men, with huge amounts of capital they hardly know what to do with, turn their attention to fields like this, their results are bound to be portentous. Who can tell but Mr. Hooley might try his talismanic powers on the declining China tea trade and cut out the great Lipton? Who knows how far he contemplates carrying his schemes, or how far they may carry themselves and their designer?

It is sufficient that Mr. Hooley has "taken China in hand," has invested in China Stock, has

